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KISAN CALL CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kisan Call Centres functioning in the country at present, State- wise;

(b) whether these call centres are adequate to provide information regarding agriculture to the farmers;

(c) if not, whether the Government propose to set up more such centres in States;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which said centres are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (e): Kisan Call Centres (KCCs) are currently located in 14 places, as per list given in the Annexure. The entire country is being covered from these 14 places.

KCCs were established by a private vendor selected by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation through the prescribed processes. Fresh tender has been invited for the purpose. It indicates that KCC may be located in 27 places, as per the list given in the Annexure, covering the entire country.

Final picture in this regard would emerge on completion of the tender process and the feasibility of locating KCCs in 27 places.